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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

BEN SHEN, LIANGCHENG DU, CESAR SANCHEZ, MEI CHEN, and DANIEL J. EDWARDS

Application No.: **09/477,962**

Filed: **01/05/2000**

For: **BLEOMYCIN GENE CLUSTER COMPONENTS AND THEIR USES**

Examiner: Kathleen M. Kerr

Art Unit: 1652

RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the communication mailed on June 21, 2004 in which the Examiner indicated that claims 10, and 12-14 are not the original claim text as noted in the amendment and that these claims do not reflect the most recent amendment (see amendment filed on July 3, 2003).

In accordance with the instructions presented in the Communication, only the corrected section of the allegedly non-compliant amendment document is herewith resubmitted. In the case, the entire "Amendments of the Claims" section of Applicants' amendment document is resubmitted.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for one month.

